



# Governor's Council on Disability

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Welcome to Issue 2 of the Legislative Update.

- The weekly Legislative Update provides information on disability related bills. For more details on a specific bill, please click on the bill number.
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### Abbreviations

HB .....	House of Representatives Bill
HA .....	House Amendment
HS.....	House Substitute
HCR .....	House Concurrent Resolution
HJR .....	House Joint Resolution
HCS.....	House Committee Substitute
SB .....	Senate Bill
SCS .....	Senate Committee Substitute
SA.....	Senate Amendment
SS .....	Senate Substitute
SCR.....	Senate Concurrent Resolution
SJR.....	Senate Joint Resolution
CCR.....	Conference Committee Report
CCS.....	Conference Committee Substitute

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**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

[HB 2225](#)   [Riggs](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to task forces

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**CRIME**

[HB 1677](#)   [Seitz](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to mental health evaluations upon arrest

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2377](#)   [Cook](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to mental capacity to be tried or convicted

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2441](#)   [Barnes](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Increases the penalty for the unauthorized use of parking spaces designated for persons with disabilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2629](#)   [Murray](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the abuse or neglect of vulnerable persons

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**\*HB 2641**   [Hinman](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cannabis

**Status:** 1/120/26 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Crime and Public Safety

[HB 2952](#)   [Smith](#)

Establishes provisions relating to mental health evaluations upon arrest

This bill requires mental evaluations to determine whether someone is competent to be tried, convicted, and sentenced in a criminal proceeding to be completed within forty-five days of an individual's arrest. If the evaluation indicates treatment at a mental health facility is necessary the transfer is required to occur within forty-five days of the evaluation. If either is not completed within forty-five days, the responsible entity will provide good cause to the prosecuting attorney or arresting entity. Beginning January 1, 2027, the Department of Mental Health will provide an annual report to the general assembly summarizing compliance.

**Status:** 1/14/26 Second Read (H)

[SB 910](#)   [Schnelting](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the abuse or neglect of vulnerable persons

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred General Laws Committee (S)

**Committee:** General Laws

**SB 1463**      **Crawford**      **Issue 1**

Modifies procedures regarding mental capacity to be tried or convicted

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**EDUCATION****HB 1639**      **Overcast**      **Issue 1**

Establishes the "Missouri Pathways to Access and Success Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 1640**      **Overcast**      **Issue 1**

Prohibits public institutions of higher education from accepting examination scores from testing entities that require disabled individuals to undergo comprehensive testing for disabilities that do not change over time

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 1698**      **Christensen**      **Issue 1**

Establishes antibullying requirements for school districts

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 1846**      **Gallick**      **Issue 1**

Establishes the "Sudden Cardiac Arrest Screening Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**\*HB 1876**      **Reuter**      **Issue 1**

Requires school districts to provide instruction in cursive writing

**Status:** 1/21/26 Hearing Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

**HB 2049**      **Terry**      **Issue 1**

Requires school districts to provide instruction in cursive writing

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**\*HB 2115**      **McGaugh**      **Issue 1**

Requires school districts to provide instruction in cursive writing

**Status:** 1/21/26 Hearing Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education Committee

**HB 2120**      **Black**      **Issue 1**

Establishes antibullying requirements for school districts

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Elementary and Secondary Education Committee (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education Committee

[HB 2129](#)   [Boyko](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing charter school compliance with educational requirements

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2183](#)   [Mackey](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Bans using seclusion to confine a student

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2195](#)   [Reedy](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Requires public schools to offer a driver education course that students must complete before graduating

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2230](#)   [Byrnes](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Limits the use of technology for student learning practices in elementary schools

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 2274](#)   [Lewis](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Adopts the "Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact"

**Status:** 1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

[HB 2304](#)   [Oehlerking](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes written parental consent requirements for individualized education programs (IEPs)

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Elementary and Secondary Education Committee (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

[HB 2335](#)   [Kelley](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing school employee training requirements

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2417](#)   [Loy](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Parents' Bill of Rights of 2026"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 2442](#)   [Loy](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing responsibilities of the department of elementary and secondary education

**Status:** 12/18/26 Withdrawn (H)

[HB 2604](#)   [Pollitt](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes transfer procedures to nonresident districts for students in public schools

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 2773**     **Boykin**     **Issue 1**

Requires school districts to provide instruction in cursive writing

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 2860**     **Byrnes**     **Issue 1**

Modifies and establishes provisions relating to elementary and secondary education

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 2866**     **Diehl**     **Issue 1**

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions governing elementary and secondary education

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**\*HB 2872**     **Loy**     **Issue 1**

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions relating to literacy of elementary school students

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Elementary and Secondary Education Committee (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

**HB 2914**     **Lewis**

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions relating to literacy of elementary school students

Only the parts related to people with disabilities are summarized.

This bill requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to give each school district and charter school \$500 for each fourth grade student who exhibited a substantial reading deficiency in any of grades kindergarten to grade three, or who was identified as dyslexic, and who subsequently scores at the proficient level or higher in reading on the annual summative English language arts assessment administered to fourth grade students. The act establishes the "Missouri Universal Reading Screener. The screener will score each student in one of the following categories: "below basic", "basic", "grade-level", "proficient", or "advanced". Proficiency benchmarks associated with these categories shall be determined by DESE. School districts and charter schools shall assess all students in grades first through third on the Missouri Universal Reading Screener during three annual administration windows established by DESE. DESE shall provide the screener to school districts and charter schools at no cost. The screener may also be used to comply with dyslexia screening requirements established in current law. Student results on the screener shall not be used to make decisions concerning the accreditation of a public school or school district. The act repeals a provision requiring school districts and charter schools to assess newly enrolled students in grades first through fifth on a reading assessment selected from a state-approved list. A student who scores "basic" on the Missouri Universal Reading Screener shall be identified as having a reading deficiency. A student who scores "below basic" on the screener shall be identified as having a substantial reading deficiency. A school district or charter school shall notify the parent of a student with a substantial reading deficiency that if the child's substantial reading deficiency is not corrected by the end of third grade, the child shall not be promoted to fourth grade unless the child qualifies for a good cause exemption. Retention of a third-grade student with a substantial reading deficiency is mandatory unless the child qualifies for a good cause exemption or scores "basic" or higher on a retest opportunity through the Missouri Universal Reading Screener. A good cause exemption may be granted to students who have individualized education plans or 504 plans developed under federal law. A good cause exemption may also be

granted to a student who has already been retained at least once in kindergarten to third grade. To request a good cause exemption, a student's teacher shall submit documentation to the school principal recommending the student's promotion, including the type of exemption being requested and the child's existing reading improvement plan or individualized education plan, as appropriate. The school principal shall discuss the recommendation with the teacher and determine whether the student qualifies for a good cause exemption. If the school principal determines that the student qualifies for the good cause exemption, the school principal shall make such recommendation in writing to the superintendent, who shall accept or reject the school principal's recommendation in writing. The school district shall assist schools with notifying parents of students who are retained of the reasons for the retention, along with a description of the proposed interventions and supports that will be provided to the child to remedy the identified area or areas of reading deficiency in the following school year. Intensive reading instruction provided to students exhibiting a reading deficiency or substantial reading deficiency shall not include the three-cueing system, as defined in current law, to teach word reading. By October 1 annually, each school board shall report in writing to DESE certain information regarding reading instruction, such as the board's policies regarding student retention and promotion, the number and percentage of students identified as having reading deficiencies or substantial reading deficiencies, the number and percentage of all students retained in kindergarten to third grade due to substantial reading deficiencies, and the total number and percentage of third-grade students who were promoted with good cause exemptions, as provided in the act.

**Status:** 1/13/26 Second Read (H)

HB 2933      Christ

Authorizes school district withdrawal from a special school district

This bill creates the process for a school district to leave a special school district. If a district leaves a special school district, the district must provide special education services.

**Status:** 1/14/26 Second Read (H)

HB 2949      Doll

Establishes the "Sudden Cardiac Arrest Screening Act"

This bill requires, for the 2027-2028 school year, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in collaboration with the Department of Health and Senior Services and the Missouri State High School Activities Association to distribute materials to inform and educate student athletes, parents/guardians, and coaches about the diseases that can cause and the warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest. Beginning with the 2027-2028 school year student-athletes and parents/guardians will be required to sign a form acknowledging receipt of sudden cardiac arrest information. Coaches will be required to complete annual training on the topic beginning with the 2027-2028 school year. As part of a sports physical examination, a cardiovascular prescreening will be included beginning with the 2027-2028 school year.

**Status:** 1/14/26 Second Read (H)

HB 2978      Terry

Limits the use of technology for student learning practices in elementary schools

This bill requires school districts to establish an elementary school technology-use policy to limit the screen time of students. Cursive writing instruction is required beginning in second grade. There are exceptions to the use of technology with elementary students. Two of the exceptions include for special education needs as stated in an individualized education program or a 504 plan and for assistive or adaptive technology for student access. This will begin with the 2027-2028 school year.

**Status:** [1/15/26 Second Read](#) (H)

[SB 906](#)     [David Gregory](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates, modifies, and repeals provisions relating to student transfers to nonresident districts

**Status:** [1/8/26 Referred Education Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Education

[SB 971](#)     [Trent](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates, modifies, and repeals provisions relating to student transfers to nonresident districts

**Status:** [1/8/26 Referred Education Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Education

[SB 1014](#)     [Nurrenbern](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies the "Jason Flatt/Avery Reine Cantor Act" and repeals and modifies provisions relating to mental health efforts in public schools

**Status:** [1/8/26 Referred Education Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Education

[\\*SB 1028](#)     [Brattin](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions regarding elementary and secondary education

**Status:** [1/15/26 Referred Education Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Education

[\\*SB 1155](#)     [Nurrenbern](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Respond, Innovate, Succeed and Empower (RISE) Act" relating to accommodations for students with disabilities at public institutions of higher education

**Status:** [1/15/26 Referred Education Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Education

[SB 1378](#)     [Trent](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes school districts and charter schools to provide instruction in cursive writing

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SB 1442](#)     [Hudson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions relating to literacy of elementary school students

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

**SB 1483**     **Henderson**     **Issue 1**

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions relating to elementary and secondary schools

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SB 1496**     **Kurtis Gregory**     **Issue 1**

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions relating to elementary and secondary education

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SB 1567**     **Burger**

Establishes the "Missouri Integrated Safe Driving Program" to provide standardized driver education instruction and training for pupils in grades 9-12

This act establishes the "Missouri Integrated Safe Driving Program" to provide standardized driver education instruction and training for pupils in grades 9-12. The program shall include instruction on the safe operation of motor vehicles, the rules of the road, and applicable motor vehicle laws, including Missouri's driver licensing system. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) shall receive and review sample instructional lessons from recognized statewide professional organizations and school districts and shall make approved sample lessons available to school districts and charter schools. Beginning with the 2027–28 school year, school districts and charter schools may implement a plan adopting the program and may utilize the sample lessons provided by DESE. The program shall promote knowledge, attitudes, habits, and skills necessary for safe driving; address distracted driving as a significant traffic safety concern; explain law enforcement procedures during traffic stops; and provide current data regarding risky driving behaviors. Districts may require pupil participation in program-related lessons within existing courses, as provided in the act. The program shall not require pupils to physically operate a motor vehicle; nor shall the program be construed to prohibit school districts or charter schools from offering other elective driver education courses.

**Status:** 1/15/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**EMPLOYMENT****HB 2674**     **Johnson**     **Issue 1**

Creates provisions relating to mental health leave for employees

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**FUNDING/TAX RELIEF****HB 1760**     **McGill**     **Issue 1**

Provides a sales tax exemption for sales of certain medical devices

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**HB 1856**     **Butz**     **Issue 1**

Increases the cigarette tax from \$0.17 per pack of 20 cigarettes to \$0.27 per pack to be used for public education and health care purposes, upon voter approval

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2038](#)     [Terry](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes the "Missouri Homestead Preservation Tax Credit Program" and implements a homestead exemption for certain individuals

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2039](#)     [Terry](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a tax credit for certain volunteer drivers

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2054](#)     [Vernetti](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to jail reimbursement by the department of mental health

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2074](#)     [Phelps](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates the "Missouri Disabled Veterans' Dependents Tuition Waiver" to provide college tuition waivers for the children, stepchildren, and spouses of certain veterans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2079](#)     [Keathley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Exempts the retail sale of food from state sales and use tax and phases out local sales and use tax on the retail sale of food over four years

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2089](#)     [Crossley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes the "Missouri Disabled Veterans Homestead Exemption"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2130](#)     [Boyko](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Changes the definition of a "qualified school" for purposes of the Missouri empowerment scholarship accounts program

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 2178](#)     [Perkins](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing the taxation of property

**Status:** 1/20/26 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

[HB 2185](#)     [Mackey](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing qualified students who receive Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program grants

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2242](#)   [Young](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Provides a state supplement for public schools to hire a school nurse and a mental health professional

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2247](#)   [Wolfen](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Reduces and eliminates the personal income tax over a period of 10 years

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2253](#)   [Zimmermann](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Exempts the retail sale of food from state sales and use tax

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2276](#)   [Jobe](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes the "Missouri Disabled Veterans Homestead Exemption" relating to a property tax exemption for certain veterans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2306](#)   [Oehlerking](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes the "Missouri Disabled Veterans' Homestead Exemption" relating to a disabled veteran residential real property assessed value exemption

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2362](#)   [Schmidt](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes the "Disabled Veteran Property Tax Relief Act" relating to a property tax exemption for certain veterans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2408](#)   [Shields](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing grants to deaf-blind individuals and families

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2449](#)   [Davis](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Parental Choice Tax Credit Act" relating to a tax credit for certain educational expenses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2467](#)   [Jones](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes counties to adopt a real property tax exemption for taxpayers sixty-two years of age and older who own a homestead

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2535](#)   [Mayhew](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes the "Veterans and Gold Star Family Property Tax Relief Act" relating to a homestead exemption for certain veterans, establishes a "Veterans Property Tax Relief Fund" to offset lost property tax revenue, increases the cigarette tax \$0.10 per pack of 20 cigarettes, subjects alternative nicotine products, vapor products, tobacco paraphernalia, and hemp-derived consumable products to an excise tax, with the additional proceeds to be deposited to the credit of such fund

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2568](#)   [Smith](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Exempts the retail sale of food from state sales and use tax, subject to a three-year sunset provision

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2575](#)   [Hruza](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to income tax

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2588](#)   [Jones](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Disabled Veterans Homestead Tax Credit Act", authorizing counties to adopt a real property tax credit for certain disabled veterans who own a homestead

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 2638](#)   [Black](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to funding of behavioral health services

**Status:** 1/6/26 Withdrawn (H)

\*[HB 2651](#)   [Byrnes](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing local property tax ballot questions, real property assessments, and property tax levies

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Special Committee on Property Tax Reform (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

[HB 2665](#)   [Jobe](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Exempts the retail sale of food from state sales and use tax

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 2668](#)   [Keathley](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing property taxes

**Status:** 1/20/26 Hearing Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

\*[HB 2671](#)   [Van Schoiack](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing the assessment and taxation of property

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Special Committee on Property Tax Reform (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

[HB 2672](#)   [Jones](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Disabled Veterans Personal Property Tax Credit Act", authorizing counties to adopt a personal property tax credit for certain disabled veterans who own up to two motor vehicles

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2690](#)   [Chappell](#)

Establishes the "Fair Tax Act of 2026" which replaces the state individual and corporate income tax and the estate tax with a fair tax based on all new retail sales and services

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2692](#)   [Chappell](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the assessed valuation of residential real property

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2697](#)   [Davis](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Changes the definition of "qualified student" for the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 2709](#)   [Reedy](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing the taxation of property

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Special Committee on Property Tax Reform (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

[HB 2734](#)   [Woods](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing local senior citizens' services fund taxes

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2754](#)   [Warwick](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to income tax

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2755](#)   [Coleman](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies several provisions relating to property taxes

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2763](#)   [Black](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to funding of behavioral health services

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2779](#)   [Dolan](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to jail reimbursement by the department of mental health

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**\*[HB 2780](#)**     [Taylor](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions governing property taxes

**Status:** [1/20/26 Hearing Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

**\*[HB 2869](#)**     [Jones](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Provides a homestead exemption for disabled veterans

**Status:** [1/12/26 Second Read](#) (H)

**\*[HB 2882](#)**     [Reuter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a tax credit for charitable contributions to certain organizations providing mental health services to veterans

**Status:** [1/12/26 Second Read](#) (H)

**[HB 2900](#)**     [Douglas](#)

Modifies provisions governing Missouri empowerment scholarship accounts

Only the part related to people with disabilities is summarized.

This bill adds those with Section 504 plans to the definition of qualified student for MO empowerment scholarship accounts.

**Status:** [1/13/26 Second Read](#) (H)

**[HB 2930](#)**     [Hein](#)

Requires students to provide proof of income when renewing an empowerment scholarship account

This bill requires that students prove they are members of a household whose income is equal to or less than three hundred percent of the standard used to qualify for free and reduced lunches when renewing an account. A student will be ineligible to renew if the amount is too high.

**Status:** [1/14/26 Second Read](#) (H)

**[HB 2948](#)**     [Rush](#)

Establishes a caregiver tax credit for certain costs associated with caregiving

This bill establishes a tax credit for caregivers who provide caregiving tasks for someone age sixty or older or someone with a physical or developmental disability who requires daily assistance. The specific caregiving tasks that qualify for the credit are specified in the bill. The required verification documentation is outlined. The Department of Revenue will create the rules for this. They will also create materials to advertise the tax credit. The tax credit would begin January 1, 2027.

**Status:** [1/14/26 Second Read](#) (H)

**[HB 2975](#)**     **[Boyko](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to the calculation of income tax, establishing new progressive personal income brackets and repealing income tax subtractions for certain capital gains, with a referendum clause

This bill creates a new income tax table that would begin January 1, 2027. It will also be adjusted for inflation. Beginning January 1, 2027, there will be no tax for an income of \$2,000 or less.

**Status:** 1/15/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2981](#)**     **[Burton](#)**

Authorizes the "Missouri Homestead Preservation Act"

The MO Homestead Preservation Act. It creates a tax credit. It includes people with disabilities in the eligibility.

**Status:** 1/15/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 105](#)**     **[Overcast](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment exempting from taxation certain real and personal property owned by former prisoners of war, veterans with a total service-connected disability, and Purple Heart recipients

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 112](#)**     **[Coleman](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to residential real property tax assessments

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 113](#)**     **[Costlow](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment granting homestead and personal property tax exemptions to certain veterans proportional to the veteran's disability rating

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 115](#)**     **[Griffith](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing a disabled veteran homestead exemption

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 126](#)**     **[Terry](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Reduces property tax assessments on senior citizens and disabled persons by fifty percent

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 138](#)**     **[Lucas](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to property tax exemptions for certain disabled veterans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HJR 139](#)**     **[Lucas](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment that authorizes a real property tax exemption for certain senior citizens

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 144](#)     [Byrnes](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment granting homestead and personal property tax exemptions to certain veterans proportional to the veteran's disability rating

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 145](#)     [Caton](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment granting property tax exemptions to certain disabled veterans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 147](#)     [Taylor](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment establishing funding for pensions for the blind

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Special Committee on Property Tax Reform (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

[HJR 148](#)     [Taylor](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment modifying provisions relating to taxation of real property

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Special Committee on Property Tax Reform (H)

**Committee:** Special Committee on Property Tax Reform

[HJR 150](#)     [Byrnes](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment modifying provisions governing the taxation of real property

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 152](#)     [Jobe](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to real property tax assessments

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 155](#)     [Chappell](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment replacing individual and corporate income tax and sales and use tax with a sales tax on retail sales of new tangible property and taxable services

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 162](#)     [Chappell](#)

Requires a twenty percent voter turnout for certain property tax elections

This joint resolution requires that a property tax question proposed on a ballot not pass unless twenty percent of voters vote on the question and the majority vote in favor. The questions would be anything that raises property taxes, authorizes a property tax funded bond or continues an existing property tax.

**Status:** 1/12/26 Second Read (H)

[HJR 165](#)     [Patterson](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to taxation

This joint resolution amends the Missouri Constitution by allowing the legislature to make the decision whether to change the local and state sales and use taxes as well as any other tax on any goods and services to eliminate the state income tax.

**Status:** 1/12/26 Second Read (H)

HJR 167     Burton

Proposes a constitutional amendment exempting from taxation certain real and personal property owned by a veteran with a total service-connected disability

This joint resolution proposes an amendment to the Missouri Constitution that exempts real property and personal property with a value of up to \$200,000 from taxation if it belongs to a veteran with a total service-connected disability. It would be adjusted for inflation. It would begin in 2027.

**Status:** 1/15/26 Second Read (H)

SB 998     Hudson     Issue 1

Creates, repeals, and modifies provisions relating to the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Status:** 1/13/26 Hearing Completed (S)

**Committee:** Education

SB 1017     Lewis     Issue 1

Authorizes a state sales tax exemption for food

**Status:** 1/8/26 Economic and Workforce Development Committee (S)

**Committee:** Economic and Workforce Development

\*SB 1041     Roberts     Issue 1

Authorizes a property tax for special educational services

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Education Committee (S)

**Committee:** Education

\*SB 1048     Fitzwater     Issue 1

Creates the "Missouri Disabled Veterans' Dependents Tuition Waiver" to provide college tuition waivers for the children, stepchildren, and spouses of certain veterans

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Veterans and Military Affairs Committee (S)

**Committee:** Veterans and Military Affairs

\*SB 1071     David Gregory     Issue 1

Modifies provisions relating to the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Education Committee (S)

**Committee:** Education

SB 1203     Schnelting     Issue 1

Modifies provisions relating to taxation

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1237](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions regarding income taxes, including the imposition of a 4% flat income tax

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1239](#)     [Coleman](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a sales tax exemption for food

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1240](#)     [Coleman](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Eliminates the individual income tax

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1341](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a tax credit for certain educational expenses

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1402](#)     [Coleman](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies a sales tax exemption for the sale of certain medical devices

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1433](#)     [Washington](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a sales tax exemption for diabetic supplies

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1493](#)     [Bean](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes counties to impose a sales tax for senior services

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1517](#)     [Hudson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to property taxes

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1535](#)     [Carter](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Disabled Veteran Homestead Tax Credit Act"

This act authorizes a county to grant a property tax credit on real property used as a homestead by a veteran with a 100% permanent disability rating. The tax credit shall apply to all property tax levies imposed on the taxpayer's residence, excluding the state levy imposed for the Blind Pension Fund. To qualify for a property tax credit, the taxpayer's qualified residence shall not have a market value exceeding \$500,000 exclusive of any portion of the property used for commercial purposes. A property tax credit authorized by this act shall transfer to the taxpayer's surviving spouse as long as the spouse holds the legal or beneficial title to the residence, permanently resides at the

residence, and does not remarry. To grant property tax credits authorized by the act, a county shall opt in to the provisions of the act by an affirmative majority vote of the governing body of the county. The governing body may at any time rescind the property tax credit program by an affirmative vote. The total amount of property tax credits authorized pursuant to this act shall be considered tax revenue actually received by the county and political subdivisions.

**Status:** [1/12/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SB 1562](#)     [Lewis](#)

Authorizes a telecommunications surcharge for crisis services

This act requires dealers of mobile telecommunications services to collect a charge of \$0.65 for each retail transaction involving wireless telecommunication devices or services for the purpose of the Department of Mental Health's operating of crisis and open access services, as such terms are defined in the act. All such charges shall be imposed and remitted with the dealers sales tax remittance to the Department of Revenue.

**Status:** [1/14/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 66](#)     [Cierpiot](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to property taxes

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 70](#)     [Brattin](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to property tax assessments

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 73](#)     [Moon](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Missouri Homestead Act

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 74](#)     [Beck](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to income taxes

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 77](#)     [Mosley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a property tax exemption for disabled veterans

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 83](#)     [Trent](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to taxation

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 84](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Eliminates property taxes on personal property

**Status:** [1/7/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SJR 88](#)     [Carter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a property tax exemption for disabled veterans

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SJR 89](#)     [Carter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to property tax assessments

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SJR 91](#)     [Ben Brown](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to taxation

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SJR 94](#)     [Hudson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Authorizes a property tax exemption for disabled veterans

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SJR 98](#)     [Brattin](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Replaces the property tax on real property with a sales tax

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SJR 101](#)     [Moon](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to taxation

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

## HEALTH CARE/PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

[HB 1635](#)     [Overcast](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1636](#)     [Overcast](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the requirements for collaborative practice arrangements between physicians and advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1650](#)     [Overcast](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to assistant physicians

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1658](#)     [Steinmeyer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires insurance coverage of orthotic devices

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1680](#)   [Seitz](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 1681](#)   [Seitz](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1852](#)   [Hewkin](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to pharmacists' authority to dispense insulin

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 1941](#)   [Hruza](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 1945](#)   [Hruza](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to health care

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1951](#)   [Bosley](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Dignity in Pregnancy and Childbirth Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1952](#)   [Bosley](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Requires insurance coverage for childbirth education classes

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1966](#)   [Peters](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 1978](#)   [Cook](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Removes the expiration date for the RX cares for Missouri program

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1989](#)   [Hinman](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2034](#)   [Caton](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to insurance coverage of orthotic, prosthetic, and assistive devices

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 2249](#)   [Ealy](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to allergy prevention and responses in child care facilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2260](#)   [Doll](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to pharmacists' authority to dispense insulin

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2279](#)   [Cook](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2283](#)   [Clemens](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Allows certain medications in multidose containers used by a patient during a hospital stay to be sent with the patient at discharge

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2287](#)   [Brown](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to prescriptive authority for advanced practice registered nurses and physician assistants

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2296](#)   [Haden](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Health and Mental Health (H)

**Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

[\\*HB 2355](#)   [Jones](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to a MO HealthNet waiver for nutrition services

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 2365](#)   [Schulte](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to allergy prevention and responses in child care facilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 2372](#)   [Peters](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to health care

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 2391](#)     [Murray](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2413](#)     [Van Schoiack](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to long-term care facilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2456](#)     [Fuchs](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to infectious or communicable diseases

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2464](#)     [Amato](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Missouri Terminally Ill Patient Dignity and Care Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2490](#)     [Weber](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to allergy prevention and responses in child care facilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2513](#)     [Byrnes](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to individualized care plans for children with rare or medically complex conditions

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2635](#)     [Murray](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires the department of social services to submit a state plan amendment or seek any necessary waivers requesting approval for MO HealthNet coverage of fertility treatments

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2642](#)     [Stinnett](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2643](#)     [Stinnett](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Hope for Missouri Patients Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2749](#)     [Davidson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to collaborative practice arrangements between physicians and physician assistants

**Status:** [1/8/26 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 2757](#)     [Pouche](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to access to medical products

**Status:** [1/8/26 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 2805](#)     [Young](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to offenders in the custody of the department of corrections

**Status:** [1/8/26 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 2922](#)     [Myers](#)

Modifies provisions relating to alternative therapies

This bill adds terminal condition or illness, life-threatening condition or illness, and a severely debilitating condition to the existing law.

**Status:** [1/13/26 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 3008](#)     [Cook](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the practice of pharmacy

Only the part related to people with disabilities is summarized.

This act authorizes pharmacists to prescribe devices and drugs when the circumstance meets criteria in the bill.

**Status:** [1/15/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (H)

[SB 840](#)     [Bernskoetter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** [1/8/26 Referred Insurance and Banking Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Insurance and Banking

[SB 841](#)     [Bernskoetter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to health care

**Status:** [1/8/26 Referred Seniors, Families and Health Committee](#) (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

[SB 878](#)     [Fitzwater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies the duties of a pharmacist

**Status:** [1/14/26 Hearing Completed](#) (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

[SB 902](#)     [Henderson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Insurance and Banking Committee (S)

**Committee:** Insurance and Banking

**\*SB 970**     [Fitzwater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** 1/14/26 Hearing Completed (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

[SB 979](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Emerging Issues and Professional Registration Committee (S)

**Committee:** Emerging Issues and Professional Registration

[SB 988](#)     [Ben Brown](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Dental and Dental Hygienist Compact

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Emerging Issues and Professional Registration Committee (S)

**Committee:** Emerging Issues and Professional Registration

[SB 1016](#)     [Lewis](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Emerging Issues and Professional Registration Committee (S)

**Committee:** Emerging Issues and Professional Registration

**\*SB 1024**     [May](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to opioid prescriptions

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Seniors, Families and Health Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

**\*SB 1047**     [Mosley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to insurance coverage for cancer treatment

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Insurance and Banking Committee (S)

**Committee:** Insurance and Banking

**\*SB 1114**     [Mosley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires health benefit plans to cover prostheses for hair loss due to cancer treatment

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Insurance and Banking Committee (S)

**Committee:** Insurance and Banking

**\*SB 1156**     [Nurrenbern](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to insurance coverage for prescription insulin drugs

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Insurance and Banking Committee (S)

**Committee:** Insurance and Banking

[SB 1260](#)     [Lewis](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires child care facilities to adopt allergy policies

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1327](#)     [Nicola](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1350](#)     [Nicola](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1448](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to cost-sharing under health benefit plans

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1449](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to insurance coverage of alternatives to opioid drugs

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1454](#)     [Justin Brown](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to alternative therapies

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1469](#)     [Burger](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions for MO HealthNet reimbursement for clinical pathology services

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1492](#)     [Bean](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to license reciprocity for physician assistants, including the Physician Assistant Licensure Compact

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1528](#)     [Burger](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to health care providers in long-term care facilities

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1533](#)     [Justin Brown](#)

Establishes the Interstate Dental and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact

his act establishes the Interstate Dental and Dental Hygienist Licensure Compact ("Compact"), which facilitates the interstate practice of dentistry and dental hygiene and provides for dentists and dental hygienists licensed in a participating state to have expedited licensure portability in other participating states. The Compact creates a

joint government agency ("Commission") and provides for its powers and duties, including overseeing the administration of the Compact, issuing advisory opinions and training on the Compact, and enforce compliance with the Compact. Additionally, each state's dental board shall have two voting members on the Commission, with one member required to be a member of the Missouri Dental Board. States shall submit all actions and documents determined by the Commission to the Clearinghouse, which is described in the act as the clearinghouse and databank administered by the American Association of Dental Boards that houses adverse actions and denials of licensure from the state dental boards. Insurance companies and entities verifying documents for the purposes of licenses to dentists or dental hygienists may seek information from the Clearinghouse for public record documents. The Compact sets forth the requirements for a dentist or dental hygienist to obtain and exercise the ability to practice in other participating states with the home state's dental board determining the eligibility of an application for a compact license privilege. The Compact further provides that a dentist or dental hygienist with compact privilege shall be subject to and comply with the laws and regulations of the participating state in which they seek to practice and shall be subject to that state's dental board. Appeals of a denial of a compact privilege application shall be filed with the home state within thirty days of the denial. Additionally, a licensee shall notify the Commission within ten days of any adverse action taken against his or her license in a state that is not a member of the Compact. Home states may take adverse actions against a holder of a compact license privilege regardless of where the actions occurred and any participating state where the compact licensee holds a compact license privilege may investigate an allegation of a violation of the laws and rules of the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene in any other state where the licensee holds a compact license privilege. Participating states may also participate together in joint investigations of compact licensees. Dental boards issuing a compact license privilege may also impose a fee for such privilege, except no fee shall be required for any active-duty military member or their spouse for up to one year after separation from the service. Furthermore, the Compact shall become active and binding upon the fifth state's enactment of the Compact. Any participating state may withdraw from the Compact by repealing the Compact, but the Compact shall remain in effect until six months after the date of withdrawal.

**Status:** [1/12/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

## **LEGAL RIGHTS/RESPONSIBILITIES**

[\\*HB 1674](#)     [Seitz](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** [1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** General Laws

[\\*HB 1694](#)     [Christensen](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** [1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** General Laws

[HB 1755](#)     [Caton](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

This bill creates the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation". If a lawsuit is filed claiming that a website is in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), the Attorney General or an adversely affected resident of this state may file a civil action against the party, attorney, or law firm claiming that an ADA violation has occurred. The civil action must ask for a determination as to whether the alleged website access violation is abusive litigation. If the court determines that the litigation is abusive, the court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs and punitive damages not to exceed three times the amount of attorney's fees awarded. To determine whether the ADA website access litigation is abusive, the court will consider the totality of the circumstances to determine if the primary purpose of the litigation is to obtain payment from the defendant due to the costs of defending the action in court. To make such a determination, the trier of fact may assess the following factors: (1) The number of substantially similar actions filed by the same plaintiff, lawyer, or law firm, and any history of frivolous lawsuits brought by the plaintiff, lawyer, or law firm within the previous 10 years; (2) The number of full-time employees that the defendant employs and the resources available to defend against the litigation; (3) The resources available to the defendant to correct the alleged website access violation; (4) Whether the jurisdiction or venue in which the lawsuit is brought is a substantial obstacle in the defendant's efforts to defend against the litigation; (5) Whether the plaintiff or the lawyer filing on behalf of the plaintiff is a resident of Missouri or is licensed to practice law in this state; (6) The nature of settlement discussions, the reasonableness of settlement offers, and refusals to settle at all; and (7) Whether the plaintiff or the lawyer filing on behalf of the plaintiff violated Missouri Supreme Court rules pertaining to the signing all pleadings and motions. If the defendant who is alleged to have violated the ADA's rules on website access in good faith attempts to correct the alleged violations within 30 days after receiving written notice or being served with a petition, and the notice or petition provides sufficient detail to identify and correct the alleged violation, there will be a rebuttable presumption that a continuation of the litigation by the plaintiff is abusive. If the alleged ADA website access violation is not corrected by the defendant within 90 days after receiving written notice or being served with a petition, there must not be a rebuttable presumption that the litigation is abusive. The court will not make a determination as to whether or not the alleged ADA website access violation is abusive until after the 90 day period expires, or the alleged violation is corrected, whichever occurs first. If the Attorney General determines that the litigation alleging an ADA website access violation is not abusive, and such a determination is attached to the plaintiff's petition, there will be a rebuttable presumption that litigation is not abusive.

**Status:** [1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** General Laws

[HB 1738](#)     [Strickler](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Allows for three weeks of no-excuse absentee voting

**Status:** [1/8/26 Second Read](#) (H)

\*[HB 1780](#)     [Voss](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** [1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** General Laws

[HB 1842](#)     [Gallick](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** [1/8/26 Referred Commerce Committee](#) (H)

**Committee:** Commerce

**[HB 1886](#)**     **[Van Schoiack](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes the "Designated Health Care Decision-Maker Act", which authorizes certain persons to make health care decisions for certain incapacitated persons

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1898](#)**     **[Plank](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Requires publicly funded state colleges and universities to allow medical marijuana use on campus

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1954](#)**     **[Bosley](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Adds provisions relating to a landlord failing to remedy a condition that would materially affect the health and safety of a tenant

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1957](#)**     **[Bosley](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to elections

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2041](#)**     **[Terry](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to guardianships and conservatorships

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2056](#)**     **[Vernetti](#)**

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive and Predatory Website Access Litigation"

This bill creates the "Act Against Abusive and Predatory Website Access Litigation". If an allegation is made that a website is in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), the Attorney General or an adversely affected resident of this state may file a civil action against the party, attorney, or law firm claiming that an ADA violation has occurred. The civil action must ask for a determination as to whether the alleged website access violation is abusive litigation. If the court determines that the litigation is abusive, the court may award reasonable attorney's fees and costs and punitive damages not to exceed three times the amount of attorney's fees awarded. To determine whether the ADA website access litigation is abusive, the court will consider the totality of the circumstances to determine if the primary purpose of the litigation is to obtain payment from the defendant due to the costs of defending the action in court. To make such a determination, the trier of fact may assess the following factors: (1) The number of substantially similar actions filed by the same plaintiff, lawyer, or law firm, and any history of frivolous lawsuits brought by the plaintiff, lawyer, or law firm within the previous 10 years; (2) The number of full-time employees that the defendant employs and the resources available to defend against the litigation; (3) The resources available to the defendant to correct the alleged website access violation; (4) Whether the jurisdiction or venue in which the lawsuit is brought is a substantial obstacle in the defendant's efforts to defend against the litigation; (5) Whether the plaintiff or the lawyer filing on behalf of the plaintiff is a resident of Missouri or is licensed to practice law in this state; (6) The nature of settlement discussions, the reasonableness of settlement offers, and refusals to settle at all; and (7) Whether the plaintiff or the lawyer filing on behalf of the plaintiff violated Missouri Supreme Court rules pertaining to the signing all pleadings and motions. If the defendant who is alleged to have violated the ADA's rules on website access in good faith attempts to correct the alleged violations within 30 days after receiving written notice or being

served with a petition, and the notice or petition provides sufficient detail to identify and correct the alleged violation, there will be a rebuttable presumption that a continuation of the litigation by the plaintiff is abusive. If the alleged ADA website access violation is not corrected by the defendant within 90 days after receiving written notice or being served with a petition, there must not be a rebuttable presumption that the litigation is abusive. The court will not make a determination as to whether or not the alleged ADA website access violation is abusive until after the 90 day period expires, or the alleged violation is corrected, whichever occurs first. If the Attorney General determines that the litigation alleging an ADA website access violation is not abusive, and such a determination is attached to the plaintiff's petition, there will be a rebuttable presumption that litigation is not abusive.

**Status:** [1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** General Laws

[HB 2114](#)     [Steinhoff](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Adds additional options for photo identification needed to vote

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2150](#)     [Wilson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Commerce Committee (H)

**Committee:** Commerce

[HB 2188](#)     [Mackey](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Marilyn Teitelbaum Death with Dignity Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2275](#)     [Lewis](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Adds penalties for violations of provisions relating to compassionate care visits in health care facilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2292](#)     [Jones](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to abuse and neglect reporting, including a requirement to report companion animal abuse

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2312](#)     [Costlow](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

This bill allows the Attorney General to file a civil action against a party, attorney, or law firm that brings an allegation that a business website does not provide sufficient access under the Americans with Disabilities Act or state law. The civil action would be determining if the litigation is abusive. The bill includes what factors should be considered in making a determination. Business' that receive a complaint, petition, or written notice are given time to make a good faith effort to correct the website.

**Status:** [1/21/26 Executive Session Scheduled](#) (H)

**Committee:** General Laws

[HB 2342](#)   [Proudie](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Requires all new playground areas and surfaces to comply with the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design and relevant regulations issued by the United States Department of Justice

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2454](#)   [Fuchs](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes provisions relating to discriminatory employment practices and discriminatory housing practices based on a person's private medical history or medical choices

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2455](#)   [Fuchs](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to unlawful discriminatory practices and establishes the Missouri Fair Housing Act

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2514](#)   [Byrnes](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to medical documentation

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2516](#)   [Byrnes](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Family Mental Health Advocacy and Patient Rights Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2736](#)   [Woods](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Allows for same-day voter registration

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2853](#)   [Weber](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions requiring realtors and landlords to provide new residents with voter registration packets

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[SB 836](#)   [Crawford](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to elections

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Local Government, Elections and Pensions Committee (S)

**Committee:** Local Government, Elections and Pensions

[SB 899](#)   [McCreery](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to abuse and neglect reporting, including a requirement to report companion animal abuse

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Seniors, Families and Health Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

[SB 907](#)   [Hudson](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred General Laws Committee (S)

**Committee:** General Laws

[\\*SB 1132](#)     [Ben Brown](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies procedures for counting ballots

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Local Government, Elections and Pensions Committee (S)

**Committee:** Local Government, Elections and Pensions

[\\*SB 1154](#)     [Nicola](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred General Laws Committee (S)

**Committee:** General Laws

[SB 1217](#)     [Lewis](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes no-excuse absentee voting

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1272](#)     [Trent](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive and Predatory Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1317](#)     [Carter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions regarding forensic guardianships

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1416](#)     [Trent](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the use of electronic communication devices while driving

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1471](#)     [Bernskoetter](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Act Against Abusive Website Access Litigation"

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1482](#)     [Henderson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to abuse and neglect of certain persons

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1498](#)     [Mosley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Cancer Patients' Bill of Rights

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1505](#)     [Henderson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to multidisciplinary adult protection teams

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SB 1536**      **Black**

Establishes the Designated Health Care Decision-Maker Act, which authorizes certain persons to make health care decisions for certain incapacitated persons

This act establishes the Designated Health Care Decision-Maker Act. Specifically, a health care provider or health care facility may rely on good faith and reasonable medical judgment for health care decisions made by designated health care decision-makers if two physicians determine that an incapacitated patient does not have a guardian with medical decision-making authority, a durable power of attorney for health care, is not a child under juvenile court jurisdiction, nor has any other known person who has the legal authority to make health care decisions. The physician or health care provider shall make reasonable efforts, as described in the act, to inform potential designated health care decision-makers of a patient's incapacitation.

Designated health care decision-makers may be selected from the following persons listed by priority:

- (1) The spouse of the patient;
- (2) An adult child of the patient;
- (3) A parent of the patient;
- (4) An adult sibling of the patient;
- (5) A grandparent or adult grandchild;
- (6) The niece or nephew or the next nearest relative;
- (7) A religious person who is a member of the patient's community;
- (8) Any nonrelative with a close personal relationship who is familiar with the patient's values; or
- (9) A person unanimously agreed upon by those in the priority list.

Priority shall not be given to those listed if abuse or neglect is reported, the person with priority cannot be reached by the physician, or if the probate court finds that the person with priority is making decisions contrary to the patient's instructions. Furthermore, this act does not prevent any person interested in the patient's welfare, a health care provider, or a health care facility from petitioning the probate court for the appointment of a guardian. A designated health care decision-maker shall make reasonable efforts to obtain information regarding the patient's health preferences and make decisions in the patient's best interests. Additionally, a designated health care decision-maker may only authorize the withdrawal or withholding of nutrition or hydration supplied through either natural or artificial means in certain situations as specified in the act. Once a health care decision-maker or physician believes that the patient is no longer incapacitated then the patient shall be reexamined. If the patient's physician determines that the patient is no longer incapacitated, then the physician shall certify the decision and the basis therefor in the patient's medical record and shall notify the patient, the designated health care decision-maker, and the person who initiated the redetermination of capacity. Rights of the designated health care decision-maker shall cease upon the physician's certification that the patient is no longer incapacitated. This act further provides that no health care provider or health care facility that makes reasonable efforts to locate and communicate with potential designated health care decision-makers shall be liable for the effort to identify and communicate with a potential designated health care decision-maker. Additionally, a health care provider or health care facility may decline to comply with the decision of a health care decision-maker if the decision is contrary to the religious beliefs or moral convictions of the provider or facility. If a health care provider declines to comply with a health care decision of the designated

health care decision-maker, no health care provider or health care facility shall impede the transfer of the patient to another provider or facility willing to comply with the health care decision. Nothing in this act shall be construed as condoning, authorizing, or approving euthanasia or mercy killing, or as permitting any affirmative or deliberate act to end a person's life.

**Status:** [1/12/26 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

## MENTAL HEALTH

[HB 1643](#)     [Overcast](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to alternative therapies and treatments, including psilocybin

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1717](#)     [West](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to alternative therapies and treatments, including psilocybin

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1927](#)     [Bush](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits health carriers from requiring prior authorization of inpatient psychiatric hospital services

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 1977](#)     [Cook](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to civil detention procedures

**Status:** [1/15/26 Hearing Completed](#) (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

[HB 2088](#)     [Crossley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to court-ordered involuntary outpatient treatment for persons with mental disorders

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2231](#)     [Byrnes](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes requirements for dual diagnosis treatment centers

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2262](#)     [Doll](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to perinatal care

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2512](#)     [Byrnes](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to humane access to emergency psychiatric treatment

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2675](#)     [Johnson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires the department of mental health to apply for a federal grant to implement a statewide mobile mental health unit program

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2817](#)   [Overcast](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to ibogaine treatment

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2961](#)   [West](#)

Creates provisions relating to ibogaine treatment

This bill instructs the Department of Mental Health to award grants to award grants to conduct certified clinical drug development trials overseen by the United States Food and Drug Administration on the use of ibogaine for the treatment of opioid use disorder, co-occurring substance use disorder, or any other neurological or mental health condition for which it demonstrates effectiveness. This is subject to appropriations. The bill specifies applicant criteria and responsibilities of grant awardees. It also establishes a fund.

**Status:** 1/14/26 Second Read (H)

[SB 1015](#)   [Nurrenbern](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions for involuntary outpatient treatment

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee (S)

**Committee:** Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence

\*[SB 1147](#)   [Kurtis Gregory](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to insurance coverage for mental health treatments

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Insurance and Banking Committee (S)

**Committee:** Insurance and Banking

[SB 1274](#)   [Trent](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to notarization requirements for certain mental health detentions

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

## OLMSTEAD

[HB 2430](#)   [Thompson](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "End Hospital Institutionalization Act"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

\*[SB 1151](#)   [Burger](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "End Hospital Institutionalization Act"

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Families, Seniors and Health Committee (S)

**Committee:** Families, Seniors and Health

**SAFETY/PREVENTION**

[HB 1618](#)     [Sassmann](#)

Modifies provisions relating to indoor air quality

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1840](#)     [Gallick](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes an alert system to assist in the location of missing persons with developmental disabilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Children and Families Committee (S)

**Committee:** Children and Families

[HB 1901](#)     [Plank](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to indoor air quality

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1903](#)     [Plank](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to smoking regulations

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2193](#)     [Butz](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates extreme risk orders of protection

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2240](#)     [Plank](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes certain requirements relating to the operation of autonomous vehicles

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2634](#)     [Murray](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the elder abuse and neglect hotline

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2804](#)     [Young](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires law enforcement officers to complete annual autism sensitivity training

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[\\*SB 965](#)     [Mosley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates the CTF Medical Alert System

**Status:** 1/20/26 Hearing Scheduled (S)

**Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

[SB 990](#)     [McCreery](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires motorcycle operators and passengers to wear protective headgear

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee (S)

**Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

[\\*SB 1158](#)   [Lewis](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to an extreme risk order of protection

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee (S)

**Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

[SB 1298](#)   [Lewis](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the human immunodeficiency virus

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1409](#)   [Burger](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates the "Purple Alert System" within the Department of Public Safety

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1497](#)   [Mosley](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to extreme risk orders of protection

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

## SERVICES

[HB 1616](#)   [Allen](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the "Independent Office of Corrections and Transparency" and provisions relating to department of corrections oversight

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Corrections and Public Institutions Committee (S)

**Committee:** Corrections and Public Institutions

[HB 1638](#)   [Overcast](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the Alzheimer's state plan task force

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1708](#)   [Veit](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the issuance and renewal of license plates and placards for persons with disabilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1821](#)   [Price](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to automatic enrollment in the supplemental nutrition assistance program for certain MO HealthNet participants

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1822](#)   [Price](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Specifies that children diagnosed with certain conditions shall be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1889](#)     [Hausman](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Instructs the department of social services to apply for a waiver to the USDA to allow SNAP to prioritize the purchase of healthy food and discourage the purchase of highly processed foods

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 1974](#)     [Cook](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) benefit cards from being used at ATMs or to access cash, and limits the items that may be purchased with TANF benefits

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2149](#)     [Wilson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes a dementia services coordinator as a full-time position within the department of health and senior services

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 2180](#)     [Griffith](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to mail sent by state agencies

**Status:** 1/14/26 Hearing Completed (H)

**Committee:** Local Government

[HB 2468](#)     [Phelps](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions for eligibility for public assistance benefits

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2481](#)     [Gragg](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits the use of SNAP benefits to purchase certain foods

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2673](#)     [Johnson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to wellness checks for at-risk veterans

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2582](#)     [Titus](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to MO HealthNet eligibility requirements

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2801](#)     [Young](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions for blind pensions

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2832](#)**     **[Collins](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes the "Office of the Department of Corrections Ombudsman"

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2835](#)**     **[Collins](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Allows offenders to access supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2971](#)**     **[Hausman](#)**

Creates provisions relating to services for persons with disabilities

This bill requires the Department of Mental Health Division of Developmental Disabilities and the Department of Social Services MO HealthNet Division to make several changes. It requires the General Assembly to be informed of the interoperability of the systems used to administer MO HealthNet benefits and waiver services for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. If it is not interoperable, an estimate of the funding needed to make this happen is required. The MO HealthNet Division will make sure its durable medical equipment meets the criteria outlined. It also requires the creation of a dashboard to track statuses of where someone with an intellectual or developmental disability is in the processes of the Division of Developmental Disabilities. It creates reporting and disciplinary procedures for incorrectly informing someone that he/she is on a waitlist or that no funding is available for developmental disability services. It requires certain documents created by the Division of Developmental Disabilities to use plain language. It also includes other General Assembly reporting requirements.

**Status:** 1/15/26 Second Read (H)

**[\\*HJR 154](#)**     **[Chappell](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to MO HealthNet work requirements

**Status:** 1/20/26 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Legislative Review

**[SB 875](#)**     **[Mosley](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes a "Restaurant Meals Program" as part of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

**Status:** 1/8/26 Referred Seniors, Families and Health Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

**[\\*SB 1062](#)**     **[Carter](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes the "Hope Missouri" Act

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Government Efficiency Committee (S)

**Committee:** Government Efficiency

**[\\*SB 1075](#)**     **[Hudson](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Creates the "Food is Medicine Act"

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Seniors, Families and Health Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

**[SB 1230](#)**     **[Fitzwater](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Creates the position of a dementia services coordinator within the Department of Health and Senior Services

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SB 1347](#)**     **[Carter](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SB 1401](#)**     **[Coleman](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SB 1420](#)**     **[Bernskoetter](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to mail sent by state entities

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SB 1499](#)**     **[Mosley](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Creates the "Food is Medicine Act"

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SB 1509](#)**     **[Mosley](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes the "Office of State Ombudsman for Inmates in the Custody of the Department of Corrections" for the purpose of providing oversight of the care of inmates in facilities of the Department of Corrections

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SJR 103](#)**     **[Carter](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[SJR 108](#)**     **[Hudson](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to work requirements for MO HealthNet

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**OTHER****[HB 1637](#)**     **[Overcast](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Repeals provisions relating to certificates of need

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1756](#)**     **[Steinmeyer](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Designates the first week of June each year as "June's Week" in honor of rare pediatric diseases

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[\\*HB 1827](#)**     **[Violet](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Adds licensed occupational therapists to the definition of "other authorized health care practitioner" for purposes of physician's statements required for disabled license plates and placards

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Health and Mental Health Committee (H)

**Committee:** Health and Mental Health

**[HB 1891](#)**     **[Hausman](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Adds licensed occupational therapists to the definition of "other authorized health care practitioner" for purposes of physician's statements required for disabled license plates and placards

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1964](#)**     **[Peters](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to the practice of applied behavior analysis

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1998](#)**     **[Meirath](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Prohibits educational institutions from using state funding for diversity, equity, and inclusion purposes

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[\\*HB 2069](#)**     **[Phelps](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes provisions relating to autonomous vehicles

**Status:** 1/20/26 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Emerging Issues

**[HB 2132](#)**     **[Boyko](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to the taxation of cigarettes and tobacco products

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2159](#)**     **[Hurlbert](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Creates provisions relating to licensure of naturopathic doctors

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2192](#)**     **[Smith](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Promotes DEI initiatives in public institutions

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

**[HB 2208](#)**     **[Mayhew](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Establishes provisions relating to autonomous vehicles

**Status:** 1/20/26 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Emerging Issues

**[HB 2318](#)**     **[Mansur](#)**     **[Issue 1](#)**

Creates provisions relating to artificial intelligence in mental health

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2368](#)     [Peters](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to artificial intelligence in mental health

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2538](#)     [Peters](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to administrative remedies in MO HealthNet cases

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2715](#)     [Diehl](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to unlawful discriminatory employment practices, limiting certain civil remedies

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 2740](#)     [Steinmeyer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes a University of Missouri governance board for reporting on research related to rare pediatric disease research

**Status:** 1/20/26 Hearing Scheduled (H)

**Committee:** Higher Education and Workforce Development

[HB 2783](#)     [Anderson](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions for providing copies of medical records

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2833](#)     [Collins](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to long-term care facilities

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2856](#)     [Smith](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Sets a cap on rental application fees charged by a landlord from a prospective tenant

**Status:** 1/8/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2963](#)     [Weber](#)

Designates January as "Blood Donor Awareness Month"

This act designates every month of January as "Blood Donor Awareness Month" in Missouri. Engaging in activities to increase awareness is encouraged.

**Status:** 1/14/26 Second Read (H)

[HB 2996](#)     [Mosley](#)

Establishes limits on residential rent increases during lease renewal

This bill states that landlords cannot increase a rate more than seven percent plus the change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers or ten percent whichever is less. It includes when a rental increase notice must be given and what must be in the notice. It does not apply to units owned or operated by nonprofit housing providers receiving government subsidies that set the rent. There are additional situations that are exempt. Legal protections and remedies are outlined.

**Status:** 1/15/26 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*SB 1031**     [Moon](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits expenditures by state departments for certain diversity initiatives

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Government Efficiency Committee (S)

**Committee:** Government Efficiency

**\*SB 1050**     [Fitzwater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates new provisions governing autonomous vehicles

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee (S)

**Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

**\*SB 1053**     [Trent](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Removes availability of attorney fees under the Missouri Human Rights Act when a public employer is involved

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred General Laws Committee (S)

**Committee:** General Laws

**\*SB 1143**     [Schnelting](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to certificates of need for long-term care facilities

**Status:** 1/15/26 Referred Seniors, Families and Health Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Health

**SB 1193**     [Ben Brown](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits expenditures by state departments for certain diversity initiatives

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SB 1199**     [David Gregory](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits certain diversity initiatives in public bodies

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SB 1268**     [Moon](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to certificates of need

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SB 1328**     [Lewis](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes every January as "Blood Donor Awareness Month" in Missouri

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 1444](#)   [Lewis](#)   [Issue 1](#)

Creates provisions relating to artificial intelligence in mental health

**Status:** 1/7/26 Introduced and First Read (S)

## **APPROPRIATIONS**

No pending bills